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Simple Past Tense is used:

1. to describe an event/action that happened in the past; as,

He came yesterday. (the time is given)

Nehru died in 1964. (the time is given)

He learnt Hindi in Kanpur. (the time is implied and definite)

Alexander defeated Porus in a fierce battle.

(the time is definite and implied)

When did they build their house? (the time is asked for)

When did you visit the zoo ? (the time is asked for)

When did you watch this film ? (the time is asked for)

2. to describe a habitual or repeated action in the past; as,

We studied eight hours every day.

Suman always carried a pet dog.

He never drank or smoked.

3. to denote an action which continued for some time in the past; as,

I lived in Nikobar for a long time.

We studied Chemistry for two year